

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the specification, the paragraphs on line 1 and lines 5-10 on page 1, lines 15-23 on page 3 and lines 1-2 on page 4, lines 5-11 on page 9, lines 6-13 on page 12, and lines 15-24 on page 13 have been amended to correct the following problems highlighted by Examiner:

“The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference sign(s) not mentioned in the description:

- Fig. 1, “100”
- Fig. 5, “500”

A proposed drawing correction, corrected drawings, or amendment to the specification to add the reference sign(s) in the description, are required in reply to the Office Action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities:

- Page 4, line 1; should read “portfolio” instead of “port folio”.
- Page 12, line 6; should read “attach” instead of “attached”.
- Page 13, lines 20-21; sentence is unclear.

Appropriate correction is required.”

In the claims, claims 15 (second occurrence), 16 (second occurrence), and 17 are renumbered as claims 17-19.

Claims 1-10 and 14-20 are currently amended. Claim 21 is cancelled. Original claims 11-13 remain in the application. New claims 22-25 have been added to the application.

Claims 7 and 20 have been amended to correct the following problems highlighted by Examiner:

“Claims 7 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 7 recites the limitation “wireless connection” in reference to claim 6. However, claim 6 does not cite a wireless connection. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim 20 (lines 2-3) recites “means for transmitting a radio signal” and “means for communication coupled to the means for transmitting”. However, the present claim is unclear, since it is understood that transmission includes communication.”

Examiner rejected claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Holshouser [US 6,282,433 B1]. More specifically, Examiner stated, “Regarding claim 1, Holshouser teaches a system providing a wireless day planner (see Abstract; Fig. 3). The cited system includes a communication device (see Fig. 3), an interface coupled to the communication device (see Figs. 1-3; col. 2, lines 54-55), and a data entry system coupled to the interface (see Fig. 3; col. 2, line 55). In the prior art system, the communication device, the interface, and the data entry system are coupled together (see Fig. 3; col. 2, lines 44-46). However, the cited prior art does not explicitly teach the system providing a “portfolio” or the “communication device, the interface, and the data entry system coupled together within a folio”. Nonetheless, it should be noted that the cited reference teaches the system having its elements together within a housing (see col. 2, line 46). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that the “portfolio”, as claimed, constituted a type of housing, as disclosed by Holshouser.”

Independent Claim 1 has been amended to recite a first communication device (such as a wireless transceiver), a second communication device (such as an infrared transceiver), a processor coupled to the first communication device and the second communication device, and an interface coupled to the processor and the first communication device, wherein the first communication device, the second communication device, the interface, and the processor are coupled to one another. Claim 1 has been further amended to recite a first device that is physically remote from the interface may wirelessly communicate with the first communication device, and a second device that is physically remote from the interface may wirelessly communicate with the second communication device.

Support for these limitations are found in Applicants' specification as a wireless modem 430, 380, described on page 3, line 20 and shown in Figures 3, 4, and 7, as an infrared transceiver 622, 722, shown in Figures 6 and 7, and as a first device (such as a personal digital assistant) that is physically remote from the interface that may wirelessly communicate with the first communication device, and as a second device (such as an infrared device) that is physically remote from the interface that may wirelessly communicate with the second communication device described on page 13, lines 15-17, on pages 14 and 15, lines 19-6, and on page 17, lines 16-20.

Independent Claim 14 has been amended to recite a wireless portfolio that comprises a communication device, a processor coupled to the communication device, an interface coupled to the communication device, and a data entry system coupled to the interface, wherein a first device that is physically remote from the interface may wirelessly communicate with a second device that is physically remote from the interface via the communication device. Support for these limitations are found in Applicants' specification described on pages 14 and 15, lines 19-6, and on page 17, lines 16-20.

Independent Claim 20 has been amended to recite a means for transmitting a wireless communication signal, and a means for monitoring a wireless communication status related to the wireless communication signal, wherein the status comprises at least one of a following indicator from a group comprising: a strength of transmission, a speed of transmission, a quality of transmission, a direction of transmission, and a service level. Support for these limitations are found in Applicants' specification as light emitting diodes (LEDs) 740, described on pages 16 and 17, lines 20-11.

Dependent claims 2-10, and 15-19 have been amended to provide clarity and consistency, respectively, with amended independent claims 1 and 14.

The present invention, as claimed, advantageously permits a first device and a second device that are physically remote from a wireless day planner portfolio system interface to wirelessly communicate with a first and a second wireless day planner portfolio system communication device; advantageously permits a first device that is physically remote from the interface to wirelessly communicate with a second device that is physically remote from the interface via a wireless day planner portfolio system communication device; advantageously permits a wireless day planner portfolio system means for monitoring a wireless communication status related to the following indicators: a strength of transmission, a speed of transmission, a quality of transmission, a direction of transmission, and a service level; and advantageously permits LEDs to depict a wireless communication status: between a wireless transceiver and a wireless network, between a wireless transceiver and a PDA, and between an infrared transceiver and an infrared device.

In contrast, the cited prior art to Holshouser fails to readily teach or suggest the advantages of the present invention. For instance, Holshouser does not permit a first device and a second device that are physically remote from a wireless day planner portfolio system interface to wirelessly communicate with a first and a second wireless day planner portfolio system

communication device, does not permit a first device that is physically remote from the interface to wirelessly communicate with a second device that is physically remote from the interface via a wireless day planner portfolio system communication device, and does not include wireless day planner portfolio system LEDs for monitoring a wireless communication status.

As such, Applicants believe currently amended independent claims 1, 14, and 20 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be passed to allowance.

Since amended claims 2-10 and original claims 11-13 depended on amended claim 1 which Applicants believe is in condition for allowance, Applicants believe amended claims 1-10 and original claims 11-13 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be passed to allowance.

Since amended claims 15-19 depended on amended claim 14 which Applicants believe is in condition for allowance, Applicants believe amended claims 15-19 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be passed to allowance.

New claims 22-25 have been added to the application.

Independent claim 22 claims a wireless transceiver; an infrared transceiver; a processor coupled to the wireless transceiver and the infrared transceiver; an interface coupled to the processor and the wireless transceiver; and a plurality of light emitting diodes (LEDs) coupled to the processor; wherein the wireless transceiver, the infrared transceiver, the interface, and the processor are coupled to one another; wherein a personal digital assistant coupled to the interface may wirelessly communicate with the wireless transceiver; wherein an infrared device that is physically remote from the interface may wirelessly communicate with the infrared transceiver; and wherein the plurality of LEDs depict at least one of a following status: a wireless communication status between the wireless transceiver and a wireless network; a wireless

communication status between the wireless transceiver and the PDA; and a wireless communication status between the infrared transceiver and the infrared device.

Independent claim 23 claims a first wireless transceiver; a second wireless transceiver enabled for short range communication; a processor coupled to the first wireless transceiver and to the second wireless transceiver; and an interface coupled to the processor and the first wireless transceiver; a personal digital assistant physically remote and closely proximate to the interface and adapted to wirelessly communicate with the second wireless transceiver; and wherein the first wireless transceiver is adapted to communicate with a communication device that is physically remote from the interface such that the personal digital assistant and the communication device are enabled to wirelessly communicate with each other in real-time via the processor.

Support for these limitations in claims 22 and 23 are found in Applicants' specification as a first wireless transceiver 430, 632, shown in Figures 3, 6, and 7, as second wireless transceiver (comprised of transmitter 622, and receiver 624) shown in Figure 6, as a processor 420 coupled to the first wireless transceiver 632 and to the second wireless transceiver 622, 624, shown in Figures 3 and 7, and an interface 610 coupled to the processor 420 and the first wireless transceiver 632, shown in Figures 3, 6, and 7.

Support for these limitations are further found in Applicants' specification as a personal digital assistant 110 that is physically remote from the interface 610 that may wirelessly communicate with the second wireless transceiver 430, and a communication device that is physically remote from the interface 610 that may wirelessly communicate with the first wireless transceiver 632 such that the personal digital assistant 110 and the communication device are enabled to wirelessly communicate with each other in real-time via the processor 420 described on page 2, lines 22-24, on page 3, lines 1-11, on page 14, lines 19-24, on page 15, lines 1-6, on

page 16, lines 12-18, on page 17, lines 13-24, on page 18, lines 1-4, and shown in Figures 3, 6, and 7.

In contrast, the cited prior art to Holshouser fails to readily teach or suggest the advantages of the present invention. For instance, Holshouser does not permit a personal digital assistant physically remote and closely proximate to the interface and adapted to wirelessly communicate with the second wireless transceiver; and wherein the first wireless transceiver is adapted to communicate with a communication device that is physically remote from the interface such that the personal digital assistant and the communication device are enabled to wirelessly communicate with each other in real-time via the processor.

Claims 24 and 25 depend on claim 23 which Applicants believe is in condition for allowance. As such Applicants believe claims 24 and 25 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be passed to allowance.

The present invention, as claimed:

- 1) advantageously permits a first device that is physically remote from an interface to wirelessly communicate with a first communication device, and a second device that is physically remote from the interface to wirelessly communicate with the second communication device;
- 2) advantageously permits a first device that is physically remote from an interface to wirelessly communicate with a second device that is physically remote from the interface via a communication device;
- 3) advantageously permits a personal digital assistant that is physically remote from but closely proximate to an interface to wirelessly communicate via a short range second wireless transceiver, and a communication device that is physically remote from the interface to wirelessly communicate with a first wireless transceiver such that the personal digital assistant

and the communication device are enabled to wirelessly communicate with each other in real-time via the processor; and

4) advantageously permits the personal digital assistant and the communication device to communicate wirelessly with a communications network via a day planner portfolio system, wherein task management systems, schedules, and other information contained in the personal digital assistant can be updated and accessed in real-time via the first wireless transceiver and the communication network.

The cited prior art do not make obvious the present invention, either alone or with the other references of record. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if the Examiner believes that such a communication would advance the prosecution of the present patent application.

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